GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4260
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RELEASE OF ANIMALS FROM QUARANTINE STATION, CHENNAI
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Quarantine Station at Chennai is not releasing the breedable animals to Andhra Pradesh that were imported from Australia;

(b) if so, whether conditions prevailing by the said station are not congenial to keep the animals any longer;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the steps taken/being taken by the Government in improving the conditions and getting the animals released?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI HUKUMDEO NARAYAN YADAV)

(a): Yes, sir. Since, the Australian authorities failed to satisfy health and quarantine requirements specified by the Department of Animal Husbandry, Ministry of Agriculture, Government of India the animals have not been released from the Quarantine Station, Chennai.

(b)&(c): Andhra Pradesh Livestock Development Agency (APLDA) has made all the additional arrangements required for keeping the animals comfortable.

(d): The Government has taken up the matter with the Australian authorities for deportation of the animals.